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**REMARKS**

Applicant has cancelled the claims that were withdrawn from consideration and cancelled claims 1 and 14. Claim 10 has been amended and rewritten in independent form. Claim 22 has been amended and rewritten in independent form. New claims 31-34 are added. Claims 3, 10, 12, 15, 22, 24, 25 and 31-34 are currently pending in this application. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application.

Applicant has amended the specification and thanks the Examiner for the careful attention provided to this application noting the clerical issues corrected by the amendment to the specification above.

Applicant submits a substitute sheet for Figure 4 to include the reference number 134.

The amendments to claims 22 and 25 clarify the language of those claims so that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 can be withdrawn.

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. §102 based upon the *Carnegie* '910 patent. Applicant respectfully submits that it is not a fair interpretation of the gear at the end of the *Carnegie* flywheel 3 as a surface for connecting another driveline component to an end cover. Even if the gear at the end of the flywheel 3 were meshed with another appropriately geared surface, the two are not connected together, they are only in a cooperating relationship.

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Applicant is grateful for the indication of allowable subject matter. Given that, Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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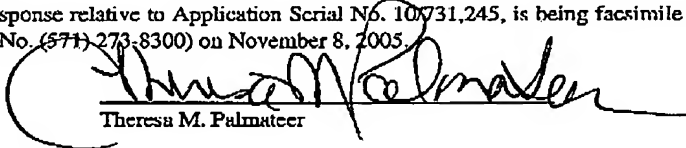
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**Fig-4**

